



**Minnesota Pollution  
Control Agency**

520 Lafayette Road North  
St. Paul, MN 55155-4194

# MS4 SWPPP Application for Reauthorization

**for the NPDES/SDS General Small Municipal Separate  
Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit MNR040000  
reissued with an effective date of August 1, 2013**  
Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP) Document

Doc Type: Permit Application

**Instructions:** This application is for authorization to discharge stormwater associated with Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System/State Disposal System (NPDES/SDS) Permit Program. **No fee** is required with the submittal of this application. Please refer to "Example" for detailed instructions found on the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) MS4 website at <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/ms4>.

**Submittal:** This MS4 SWPPP Application for Reauthorization form must be submitted electronically via e-mail to the MPCA at [ms4permitprogram.pca@state.mn.us](mailto:ms4permitprogram.pca@state.mn.us) from the person that is duly authorized to certify this form. All questions with an asterisk (\*) are required fields. All applications will be returned if required fields are not completed.

**Questions:** Contact Claudia Hochstein at 651-757-2881 or [claudia.hochstein@state.mn.us](mailto:claudia.hochstein@state.mn.us), Dan Miller at 651-757-2246 or [daniel.miller@state.mn.us](mailto:daniel.miller@state.mn.us), or call toll-free at 800-657-3864.

## General Contact Information (\*Required fields)

### MS4 Owner (with ownership or operational responsibility, or control of the MS4)

\*MS4 permittee name: Coon Creek Watershed District \*County: Anoka  
(city, county, municipality, government agency or other entity)

\*Mailing address: 12301 Central Avenue NE, Suite 100

\*City: Blaine \*State: Minnesota \*Zip code: 55434

\*Phone (including area code): 763-755-0975 \*E-mail: tkelly@cooncreekwd.org

### MS4 General contact (with Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program [SWPPP] implementation responsibility)

\*Last name: Kelly \*First name: Tim  
(department head, MS4 coordinator, consultant, etc.)

\*Title: District Administrator

\*Mailing address: 12301 Central Avenue NE, Suite 100

\*City: Blaine \*State: Minnesota \*Zip code: 55434

\*Phone (including area code): 763-755-975 \*E-mail: tkelly@cooncreekwd.org

### Preparer information (complete if SWPPP application is prepared by a party other than MS4 General contact)

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_ First name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(department head, MS4 coordinator, consultant, etc.)

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (including area code): \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## Verification

1. I seek to continue discharging stormwater associated with a small MS4 after the effective date of this Permit, and shall submit this MS4 SWPPP Application for Reauthorization form, in accordance with the schedule in Appendix A, Table 1, with the SWPPP document completed in accordance with the Permit (Part II.D.). ☒ Yes
2. I have read and understand the NPDES/SDS MS4 General Permit and certify that we intend to comply with all requirements of the Permit. ☒ Yes

## Certification (All fields are required)

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- ☒ Yes - I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted.

*I certify that based on my inquiry of the person, or persons, who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete.*

*I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of civil and criminal penalties.*

This certification is required by Minn. Stat. §§ 7001.0070 and 7001.0540. The authorized person with overall, MS4 legal responsibility must certify the application (principal executive officer or a ranking elected official).

By typing my name in the following box, I certify the above statements to be true and correct, to the best of my knowledge, and that this information can be used for the purpose of processing my application.

Name: Tim Kelly  
(This document has been electronically signed)

Title: District Administrator Date (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: 12301 Central Avenue NE, Suite 100

City: Blaine State: MN Zip code: 55434

Phone (including area code): 763-755-0975 E-mail: tkelly@cooncreekwd.org

**Note:** The application will not be  
processed without certification.

# Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program Document

## I. Partnerships: (Part II.D.1)

- A. List the **regulated small MS4(s)** with which you have established a partnership in order to satisfy one or more requirements of this Permit. Indicate which Minimum Control Measure (MCM) requirements or other program components that each partnership helps to accomplish (List all that apply). Check the box below if you currently have no established partnerships with other regulated MS4s. If you have more than five partnerships, hit the tab key after the last line to generate a new row.

☐ No partnerships with regulated small MS4s

Name and description of partnership	MCM/Other permit requirements involved
Andover	Public Education
Blaine	Public Education, Ditch Inspection
Columbus	Public Education
Coon Rapids	Public Education
Fridley	Public Education
Ham Lake	Public Education
Spring Lake Park	Public Education

- B. If you have additional information that you would like to communicate about your partnerships with other regulated small MS4(s), provide it in the space below, or include an attachment to the SWPPP Document, with the following file naming convention: *MS4NameHere\_Partnerships*.

*An entire section of the District's third Generation Comprehensive Water Resource Management Plan is devoted to Partnerships and Collaboration. That section is attached to this document*

## II. Description of Regulatory Mechanisms: (Part II.D.2)

### Illicit discharges

- A. Do you have a regulatory mechanism(s) that effectively prohibits non-stormwater discharges into your small MS4, except those non-stormwater discharges authorized under the Permit (Part III.D.3.b.)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

#### 1. If yes:

- a. Check which *type* of regulatory mechanism(s) your organization has (check all that apply):

☐ Ordinance ☒ Contract language  
☒ Policy/Standards ☒ Permits  
☒ Rules  
☐ Other, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

- b. Provide either a direct link to the mechanism selected above or attach it as an electronic document to this form; or if your regulatory mechanism is either an Ordinance or a Rule, you may provide a citation:

Citation:

*Section 16.0 Illicit Discharge*

Direct link:

[http://www.cooncreekwd.org/index.asp?Type=B\\_BASIC&SEC={DD872F13-ABC2-49FE-B30F-60E415CC6AAF}](http://www.cooncreekwd.org/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC={DD872F13-ABC2-49FE-B30F-60E415CC6AAF})

☒ Check here if attaching an electronic copy of your regulatory mechanism, with the following file naming convention: *MS4NameHere\_IDDEreg*.

#### 2. If no:

Describe the tasks and corresponding schedules that will be taken to assure that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, this permit requirement is met:

## Construction site stormwater runoff control

- A. Do you have a regulatory mechanism(s) that establishes requirements for erosion and sediment controls and waste controls? ☒ Yes ☐ No

1. If **yes**:

- a. Check which *type* of regulatory mechanism(s) your organization has (check all that apply):

☐ Ordinance ☐ Contract language  
☒ Policy/Standards ☒ Permits  
☒ Rules  
☐ Other, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

- b. Provide either a direct link to the mechanism selected above or attach it as an electronic document to this form; or if your regulatory mechanism is either an Ordinance or a Rule, you may provide a citation:

Citation:

*Coon Creek Rule Section 9.4: Soils and Erosion Control*

Direct link:

<http://www.cooncreekwd.org/vertical/sites/%7B5C6B0F6F-9658-418B-9297-E0413AF79517%7D/uploads/%7BF7E4EABF-ACFC-426E-A3BB-7C633E2D5650%7D.PDF>

☐ Check here if attaching an electronic copy of your regulatory mechanism, with the following file naming convention: *MS4NameHere\_CSWreg*.

- B. Is your regulatory mechanism at least as stringent as the MPCA general permit to Discharge Stormwater Associated with Construction Activity (as of the effective date of the MS4 Permit)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If you answered **yes** to the above question, proceed to C.

If you answered **no** to either of the above permit requirements listed in A. or B., describe the tasks and corresponding schedules that will be taken to assure that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, these permit requirements are met:

*CCWD will amend its construction site stormwater runoff control regulatory mechanism to be at least as stringent as the MPCA CSW permit. This effort will be completed within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended.*

- C. Answer **yes** or **no** to indicate whether your regulatory mechanism(s) requires owners and operators of construction activity to develop site plans that incorporate the following erosion and sediment controls and waste controls as described in the Permit (Part III.D.4.a.(1)-(8)), and as listed below:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 1. Best Management Practices (BMPs) to minimize erosion.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 2. BMPs to minimize the discharge of sediment and other pollutants.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 3. BMPs for dewatering activities.   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| 4. Site inspections and records of rainfall events   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 5. BMP maintenance   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 6. Management of solid and hazardous wastes on each project site.  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| 7. Final stabilization upon the completion of construction activity, including the use of perennial vegetative cover on all exposed soils or other equivalent means. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 8. Criteria for the use of temporary sediment basins.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

If you answered **no** to any of the above permit requirements, describe the tasks and corresponding schedules that will be taken to assure that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, these permit requirements are met:

*Redraft and amend rules to address dewatering wastes on project sites beginning fall 2013 with rule ammendment late spring 2014*

## Post-construction stormwater management

- A. Do you have a regulatory mechanism(s) to address post-construction stormwater management activities? ☒ Yes ☐ No

1. If **yes**:

- a. Check which *type* of regulatory mechanism(s) your organization has (check all that apply):

- ☐ Ordinance
 ☒ Contract language  
☒ Policy/Standards
 ☒ Permits  
☒ Rules  
☐ Other, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

- b. Provide either a direct link to the mechanism selected above or attach it as an electronic document to this form; or if your regulatory mechanism is either an Ordinance or a Rule, you may provide a citation:

Citation:

*Coon Creek Watershed District Rule Section 16.0 Illicit Discharges*

Direct link:

<http://www.cooncreekwd.org/vertical/sites/%7B5C6B0F6F-9658-418B-9297-E0413AF79517%7D/uploads/%7BF7E4EABF-ACFC-426E-A3BB-7C633E2D5650%7D.PDF>

- ☐ Check here if attaching an electronic copy of your regulatory mechanism, with the following file naming convention: *MS4NameHere\_PostCSWreg*.

- B. Answer **yes** or **no** below to indicate whether you have a regulatory mechanism(s) in place that meets the following requirements as described in the Permit (Part III.D.5.a.):

1. **Site plan review:** Requirements that owners and/or operators of construction activity submit site plans with post-construction stormwater management BMPs to the permittee for review and approval, prior to start of construction activity. ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. **Conditions for post construction stormwater management:** Requires the use of any combination of BMPs, with highest preference given to Green Infrastructure techniques and practices (e.g., infiltration, evapotranspiration, reuse/harvesting, conservation design, urban forestry, green roofs, etc.), necessary to meet the following conditions on the site of a construction activity to the Maximum Extent Practicable (MEP):
  - a. For new development projects – no net increase from pre-project conditions (on an annual average basis) of: ☒ Yes ☐ No
    - 1) Stormwater discharge volume, unless precluded by the stormwater management limitations in the Permit (Part III.D.5.a(3)(a)).
    - 2) Stormwater discharges of Total Suspended Solids (TSS).
    - 3) Stormwater discharges of Total Phosphorus (TP).
  - b. For redevelopment projects – a net reduction from pre-project conditions (on an annual average basis) of: ☒ Yes ☐ No
    - 1) Stormwater discharge volume, unless precluded by the stormwater management limitations in the Permit (Part III.D.5.a(3)(a)).
    - 2) Stormwater discharges of TSS.
    - 3) Stormwater discharges of TP.
3. **Stormwater management limitations and exceptions:**
  - a. Limitations
    - 1) Prohibit the use of infiltration techniques to achieve the conditions for post-construction stormwater management in the Permit (Part III.D.5.a(2)) when the infiltration structural stormwater BMP will receive discharges from, or be constructed in areas: ☒ Yes ☐ No
      - a) Where industrial facilities are not authorized to infiltrate industrial stormwater under an NPDES/SDS Industrial Stormwater Permit issued by the MPCA.
      - b) Where vehicle fueling and maintenance occur.
      - c) With less than three (3) feet of separation distance from the bottom of the infiltration system to the elevation of the seasonally saturated soils or the top of bedrock.
      - d) Where high levels of contaminants in soil or groundwater will be mobilized by the infiltrating stormwater.
    - 2) Restrict the use of infiltration techniques to achieve the conditions for post-construction stormwater management in the Permit (Part III.D.5.a(2)), without higher engineering review, sufficient to provide a functioning treatment system and prevent adverse impacts to groundwater, when the infiltration device will be constructed in areas: ☒ Yes ☐ No
      - a) With predominately Hydrologic Soil Group D (clay) soils.
      - b) Within 1,000 feet up-gradient, or 100 feet down-gradient of active karst features.
      - c) Within a Drinking Water Supply Management Area (DWSMA) as defined in Minn. R. 4720.5100, subp. 13.
      - d) Where soil infiltration rates are more than 8.3 inches per hour.

- 3) For linear projects where the lack of right-of-way precludes the installation of volume control practices that meet the conditions for post-construction stormwater management in the Permit (Part III.D.5.a(2)), the permittee's regulatory mechanism(s) may allow exceptions as described in the Permit (Part III.D.5.a(3)(b)). The permittee's regulatory mechanism(s) shall ensure that a reasonable attempt be made to obtain right-of-way during the project planning process. ☒ Yes ☐ No
4. **Mitigation provisions:** The permittee's regulatory mechanism(s) shall ensure that any stormwater discharges of TSS and/or TP not addressed on the site of the original construction activity are addressed through mitigation and, at a minimum, shall ensure the following requirements are met:
- a. Mitigation project areas are selected in the following order of preference: ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 1) Locations that yield benefits to the same receiving water that receives runoff from the original construction activity.
  - 2) Locations within the same Minnesota Department of Natural Resource (DNR) catchment area as the original construction activity.
  - 3) Locations in the next adjacent DNR catchment area up-stream
  - 4) Locations anywhere within the permittee's jurisdiction.
- b. Mitigation projects must involve the creation of new structural stormwater BMPs or the retrofit of existing structural stormwater BMPs, or the use of a properly designed regional structural stormwater BMP. ☐ Yes ☒ No
- c. Routine maintenance of structural stormwater BMPs already required by this permit cannot be used to meet mitigation requirements of this part. ☐ Yes ☒ No
- d. Mitigation projects shall be completed within 24 months after the start of the original construction activity. ☐ Yes ☒ No
- e. The permittee shall determine, and document, who will be responsible for long-term maintenance on all mitigation projects of this part. ☐ Yes ☒ No
- f. If the permittee receives payment from the owner and/or operator of a construction activity for mitigation purposes in lieu of the owner or operator of that construction activity meeting the conditions for post-construction stormwater management in Part III.D.5.a(2), the permittee shall apply any such payment received to a public stormwater project, and all projects must be in compliance with Part III.D.5.a(4)(a)-(e). ☐ Yes ☒ No
5. **Long-term maintenance of structural stormwater BMPs:** The permittee's regulatory mechanism(s) shall provide for the establishment of legal mechanisms between the permittee and owners or operators responsible for the long-term maintenance of structural stormwater BMPs not owned or operated by the permittee, that have been implemented to meet the conditions for post-construction stormwater management in the Permit (Part III.D.5.a(2)). This only includes structural stormwater BMPs constructed after the effective date of this permit and that are directly connected to the permittee's MS4, and that are in the permittee's jurisdiction. The legal mechanism shall include provisions that, at a minimum:
- a. Allow the permittee to conduct inspections of structural stormwater BMPs not owned or operated by the permittee, perform necessary maintenance, and assess costs for those structural stormwater BMPs when the permittee determines that the owner and/or operator of that structural stormwater BMP has not conducted maintenance. ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b. Include conditions that are designed to preserve the permittee's right to ensure maintenance responsibility, for structural stormwater BMPs not owned or operated by the permittee, when those responsibilities are legally transferred to another party. ☒ Yes ☐ No
- c. Include conditions that are designed to protect/preserve structural stormwater BMPs and site features that are implemented to comply with the Permit (Part III.D.5.a(2)). If site configurations or structural stormwater BMPs change, causing decreased structural stormwater BMP effectiveness, new or improved structural stormwater BMPs must be implemented to ensure the conditions for post-construction stormwater management in the Permit (Part III.D.5.a(2)) continue to be met. ☒ Yes ☐ No

If you answered **no** to any of the above permit requirements, describe the tasks and corresponding schedules that will be taken to assure that, within twelve (12) months of the date permit coverage is extended, these permit requirements are met:

*Amend District Rules, adoption of post construction amendments will be late summer 2014*

### III. Enforcement Response Procedures (ERPs): (Part II.D.3)

- A. Do you have existing ERPs that satisfy the requirements of the Permit (Part III.B.)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

1. If **yes**, attach them to this form as an electronic document, with the following file naming convention: *MS4NameHere\_ERPs*.
2. If **no**, describe the tasks and corresponding schedules that will be taken to assure that, with twelve (12) months of the date permit coverage is extended, these permit requirements are met:

B. Describe your ERPs:

*Step 1: Report of Violation*

*Step 2: Initial Investigation & Inspection*

*Step 3: Preliminary Enforcement, Notice of Inspection, Notice of Apparent Violation or Warning*

*Step 4: Violator Alternatives*

*Step 5: Follow Up Inspection*

*Step 6: Notice of Violation -Order to Remedy*

*Step 7: The Violator's Alternatives*

*Step 8: Final Inspection and Stop Work Order*

*Step 9: Judicial Enforcement*

#### IV. Storm Sewer System Map and Inventory: (Part II.D.4.)

A. Describe how you manage your storm sewer system map and inventory:

B. Answer **yes** or **no** to indicate whether your storm sewer system map addresses the following requirements from the Permit (Part III.C.1.a-d), as listed below:

1. The permittee's entire small MS4 as a goal, but at a minimum, all pipes 12 inches or greater in diameter, including stormwater flow direction in those pipes. ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. Outfalls, including a unique identification (ID) number assigned by the permittee, and an associated geographic coordinate. ☒ Yes ☐ No
3. Structural stormwater BMPs that are part of the permittee's small MS4. ☒ Yes ☐ No
4. All receiving waters. ☒ Yes ☐ No

If you answered **no** to any of the above permit requirements, describe the tasks and corresponding schedules that will be taken to assure that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, these permit requirements are met:

C. Answer **yes** or **no** to indicate whether you have completed the requirements of 2009 Minnesota Session Law, Ch. 172. Sec. 28: with the following inventories, according to the specifications of the Permit (Part III.C.2.a.-b.), including:

1. All ponds within the permittee's jurisdiction that are constructed and operated for purposes of water quality treatment, stormwater detention, and flood control, and that are used for the collection of stormwater via constructed conveyances. ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. All wetlands and lakes, within the permittee's jurisdiction, that collect stormwater via constructed conveyances. ☒ Yes ☐ No

D. Answer **yes** or **no** to indicate whether you have completed the following information for each feature inventoried.

1. A unique identification (ID) number assigned by the permittee. ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. A geographic coordinate. ☒ Yes ☐ No
3. Type of feature (e.g., pond, wetland, or lake). This may be determined by using best professional judgment. ☒ Yes ☐ No

If you have answered **yes** to all above requirements, and you have already submitted the Pond Inventory Form to the MPCA, then you do not need to resubmit the inventory form below.

If you answered **no** to any of the above permit requirements, describe the tasks and corresponding schedules that will be taken to assure that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, these permit requirements are met:

- E. Answer **yes** or **no** to indicate if you are attaching your pond, wetland and lake inventory to the MPCA ☒ Yes ☐ No on the form provided on the MPCA website at: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/ms4> , according to the specifications of Permit (Part III.C.2.b.(1)-(3)). Attach with the following file naming convention: *MS4NameHere\_inventory*.

If you answered **no**, the inventory form must be submitted to the MPCA MS4 Permit Program within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended.

## V. Minimum Control Measures (MCMs) (Part II.D.5)

### A. MCM1: Public education and outreach

1. The Permit requires that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, existing permittees revise their education and outreach program that focuses on illicit discharge recognition and reporting, as well as other specifically selected stormwater-related issue(s) of high priority to the permittee during this permit term. Describe your **current** educational program, including **any high-priority topics included**:

#### *Education Program*

*Greater public awareness of watershed resources, the appropriate use of resources, and the issues and conflicts that arise when managing resources are major needs of the District. Increasing awareness is the first step in enhancing public commitment to sound natural resource management. To help carry this out, we work closely with the cities in our district to provide efficient and collaborative efforts to enhance their MS4 programs. The District also makes several presentations each year to student and civic organizations. These presentations focus on the establishment of the District, its purposes and policies, and the issues facing the watershed.*

*The Education Program now has the following components:*

1. *Conservation education*
  2. *Water Resource Issue education*
  3. *Water Resource Management education.*
2. List the categories of BMPs that address your public education and outreach program, including the distribution of educational materials and a program implementation plan. Use the first table for categories of BMPs that you have established and the second table for categories of BMPs that you plan to implement over the course of the permit term.

Include the measurable goals with appropriate timeframes that each BMP category will be implemented and completed. In addition, provide interim milestones and the frequency of action in which the permittee will implement and/or maintain the BMPs. Refer to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) *Measurable Goals Guidance for Phase II Small MS4s* (<http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/measurablegoals.pdf>).

**If you have more than five categories**, hit the tab key after the last line to generate a new row.

Established BMP categories	Measurable goals and timeframes
City newsletter articles	# articles published/year, reported monthly, average=17/yr
Website, including online SWPPP	# hits/year; in 2012 had 45,037 hits; website updated weekly
Video Public Service Announcements & trainings: we self-produce PSAs and subscribe & link to MECA and MPCA YouTube channels	# views recorded monthly and reported annually of our YouTube channel
Outreach collaborative events	# of events
Articles & press releases in local newspapers	# of articles & press releases published
Water (Quality) Education Grant program	# number of grants awarded each year, reported each month
BMP categories to be implemented	Measurable goals and timeframes
Promotional Giveaway for survey participants	# of items/year given out at minimum one event per year; timeframe -each August starting 2014
Social Media: blog	# of postings reported monthly and annually; timeframe - each January starting 2014
K-12 outreach for water conservation	# of students participating in water conservation curriculum (LivingWise program); timeframe- 2014-2015 school year
Program evaluation	Create Strategic Communication Plan for 2014-19 with annual revision each January; timeframe - each January starting 2014



- Provide the name or the position title of the individual(s) who is responsible for implementing and/or coordinating this MCM:

*Dawn Doering, Public and Governmental Relations Coordinator*

## B. MCM2: Public participation and involvement

- The Permit (Part III.D.2.a.) requires that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, existing permittees shall revise their current program, as necessary, and continue to implement a public participation/involvement program to solicit public input on the SWPPP. Describe your current program:

*The Coon Creek Watershed District Public Involvement Program is an organized effort to ensure public involvement in District planning and decision-making processes. The Watershed District carries out public involvement activities and programs pursuant to various statutory and permit authorities that require the District to give the public notice of and an opportunity to comment on proposed actions and decisions. The major actions are set forth here:*

- Watershed Management Planning*
- Environmental Analysis of Proposed District Action and Projects*
- Funding Priorities and Methods*
- District Rule Making*
- Other Water Resource Management Proposals*

- List the categories of BMPs that address your public participation/involvement program, including solicitation and documentation of public input on the SWPPP. Use the first table for categories of BMPs that you have established and the second table for categories of BMPs that you plan to implement over the course of the permit term.

Include the measurable goals with appropriate timeframes that each BMP category will be implemented and completed. In addition, provide interim milestones and the frequency of action in which the permittee will implement and/or maintain the BMPs. Refer to the EPA's *Measurable Goals Guidance for Phase II Small MS4s* (<http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/measurablegoals.pdf>). **If you have more than five categories**, hit the tab key after the last line to generate a new row.

Established BMP categories	Measurable goals and timeframes
Storm Drain Marking	# of participants each year, # of storm drains marked
Demonstration grant projects	# of projects each year, reported each month
Adopt-A-Creek Cleanups	# of cleanups each year, reported each month
Volunteer Monitoring	# of volunteers each year, reported each month
Annual SWPPP meeting with proper Public Notice	Annual meeting/open house held each year by May; # attendees
Online homepage Public Notice announcements	# of hits, reported monthly
Citizen Advisory Committee	# of meetings each year
BMP categories to be implemented	Measurable goals and timeframes
Water conservation program for schools	# of participants per year; pilot program in 2014
Rain Garden Retrofit outreach program	# of project participants each year, started 2011
BMP Training workshops	# of trainings offered each year, reported monthly; started 2010
Rain Barrel program, every 2 - 3 years	# of rain barrels distributed in 2014, 2016

- Do you have a process for receiving and documenting citizen input? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If you answered **no** to the above permit requirement, describe the tasks and corresponding schedules that will be taken to assure that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, this permit requirement is met:

- Provide the name or the position title of the individual(s) who is responsible for implementing and/or coordinating this MCM:

*Dawn Doering, Public and Governmental Relations Coordinator*

## C. MCM 3: Illicit discharge detection and elimination

1. The Permit (Part III.D.3.) requires that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, existing permittees revise their current program as necessary, and continue to implement and enforce a program to detect and eliminate illicit discharges into the small MS4. Describe your current program:

*The Current program is based in the regulatory program and District Rule. The program is supported by the Issue Log which records all calls, observations or reports on potential conditions, trends or violations within the District reported by any and all citizens and municipal, County or special district staff operating within the watershed. The program is also supported by the inspections programs in both the regulatory and Operations and Maintenance programs. Regulatory inspections occur as a matter of preparation for and follow up to a permit review or issuance for the land disturbing activity. Operations and maintenance inspections occur as part of the routine inspections of the District's water resource system.*

2. Does your Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program meet the following requirements, as found in the Permit (Part III.D.3.c.-g.)?

- a. Incorporation of illicit discharge detection into all inspection and maintenance activities conducted under the Permit (Part III.D.6.e.-f.) Where feasible, illicit discharge inspections shall be conducted during dry-weather conditions (e.g., periods of 72 or more hours of no precipitation). ☒ Yes ☐ No
- b. Detecting and tracking the source of illicit discharges using visual inspections. The permittee may also include use of mobile cameras, collecting and analyzing water samples, and/or other detailed procedures that may be effective investigative tools. ☒ Yes ☐ No
- c. Training of all field staff, in accordance with the requirements of the Permit (Part III.D.6.g.(2)), in illicit discharge recognition (including conditions which could cause illicit discharges), and reporting illicit discharges for further investigation. ☒ Yes ☐ No
- d. Identification of priority areas likely to have illicit discharges, including at a minimum, evaluating land use associated with business/industrial activities, areas where illicit discharges have been identified in the past, and areas with storage of large quantities of significant materials that could result in an illicit discharge. ☒ Yes ☐ No
- e. Procedures for the timely response to known, suspected, and reported illicit discharges. ☒ Yes ☐ No
- f. Procedures for investigating, locating, and eliminating the source of illicit discharges. ☒ Yes ☐ No
- g. Procedures for responding to spills, including emergency response procedures to prevent spills from entering the small MS4. The procedures shall also include the immediate notification of the Minnesota Department of Public Safety Duty Officer, if the source of the illicit discharge is a spill or leak as defined in Minn. Stat. § 115.061. ☐ Yes ☒ No
- h. When the source of the illicit discharge is found, the permittee shall use the ERPs required by the Permit (Part III.B.) to eliminate the illicit discharge and require any needed corrective action(s). ☒ Yes ☐ No

If you answered **no** to any of the above permit requirements, describe the tasks and corresponding schedules that will be taken to assure that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, these permit requirements are met:

*Update policy and procedure and orient staff on proper procedure and protocols upon discovering illicit discharge.*

3. List the categories of BMPs that address your illicit discharge, detection and elimination program. Use the first table for categories of BMPs that you have established and the second table for categories of BMPs that you plan to implement over the course of the permit term.

Include the measurable goals with appropriate timeframes that each BMP category will be implemented and completed. In addition, provide interim milestones and the frequency of action in which the permittee will implement and/or maintain the BMPs. Refer to the EPA's *Measurable Goals Guidance for Phase II Small MS4s* (<http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/measurablegoals.pdf>).

**If you have more than five categories**, hit the tab key after the last line to generate a new row.

Established BMP categories	Measurable goals and timeframes
Storm Drain Marking	# of participants each year, # of storm drains marked throughout the permit cycle
Trash & Debris Pick Up	# of pickups each year, reported each month throughout the permit cycle
Preventing Septic System Failure	# of opportunities for education, reported each month throughout the permit cycle
Community Hot Line	# of calls each year, reported each month throughout the permit cycle
BMP categories to be implemented	Measurable goals and timeframes
Training	Coordinate with the cities in the district to provide training to city, county, etc. staff about the hazards associated with illicit

	discharges. Yearly trainings starting in 2014 through 2023 to be consistent with Comprehensive Plan
Inspections	Bi-monthly inspections of high priority outfalls, and around high risk establishments (fast food restaurants, dumpsters, car washes, mechanic and oil change businesses) starting in 2014 through 2023 to be consistent with Comprehensive Plan

4. Do you have procedures for record-keeping within your Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) program as specified within the Permit (Part III.D.3.h.)? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- If you answered **no**, indicate how you will develop procedures for record-keeping of your Illicit Discharge, Detection and Elimination Program, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended:

5. Provide the name or the position title of the individual(s) who is responsible for implementing and/or coordinating this MCM:

*Rebecca Haug, Regulatory Affairs Coordinator*

#### **D. MCM 4: Construction site stormwater runoff control**

1. The Permit (Part III.D.4) requires that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, existing permittees shall revise their current program, as necessary, and continue to implement and enforce a construction site stormwater runoff control program. Describe your current program:

*To ensure compliance with permit requirements and the goals, objectives and rules of the District.*

- 1. To ensure that the approved plan is implemented,*
- 2. Provide the landowner with technical assistance as needed*
- 3. Provide a means to determine if changes to the plan are necessary,*
- 4. Observe and document deviations from the plan as they occur*

*To encourage voluntary rule compliance by providing residents, property owners, and tenants the opportunity, with sufficient notice and information, to comply with the Coon Creek Watershed District Rule and other applicable laws and requirements.*

2. Does your program address the following BMPs for construction stormwater erosion and sediment control as required in the Permit (Part III.D.4.b.):
- a. Have you established written procedures for site plan reviews that you conduct prior to the start of construction activity? ☒ Yes ☐ No
  - b. Does the site plan review procedure include notification to owners and operators proposing construction activity that they need to apply for and obtain coverage under the MPCA's general permit to *Discharge Stormwater Associated with Construction Activity No. MN R100001*? ☒ Yes ☐ No
  - c. Does your program include written procedures for receipt and consideration of reports of noncompliance or other stormwater related information on construction activity submitted by the public to the permittee? ☒ Yes ☐ No
  - d. Have you included written procedures for the following aspects of site inspections to determine compliance with your regulatory mechanism(s):
    - 1) Does your program include procedures for identifying priority sites for inspection? ☒ Yes ☐ No
    - 2) Does your program identify a frequency at which you will conduct construction site inspections? ☒ Yes ☐ No
    - 3) Does your program identify the names of individual(s) or position titles of those responsible for conducting construction site inspections? ☒ Yes ☐ No
    - 4) Does your program include a checklist or other written means to document construction site inspections when determining compliance? ☒ Yes ☐ No
  - e. Does your program document and retain construction project name, location, total acreage to be disturbed, and owner/operator information? ☒ Yes ☐ No
  - f. Does your program document stormwater-related comments and/or supporting information used to determine project approval or denial? ☒ Yes ☐ No

- g. Does your program retain construction site inspection checklists or other written materials used to document site inspections? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If you answered **no** to any of the above permit requirements, describe the tasks and corresponding schedules that will be taken to assure that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, these permit requirements are met.

3. List the categories of BMPs that address your construction site stormwater runoff control program. Use the first table for categories of BMPs that you have established and the second table for categories of BMPs that you plan to implement over the course of the permit term.

Include the measurable goals with appropriate timeframes that each BMP category will be implemented and completed. In addition, provide interim milestones and the frequency of action in which the permittee will implement and/or maintain the BMPs. Refer to the EPA's *Measurable Goals Guidance for Phase II Small MS4s* (<http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/measurablegoals.pdf>). **If you have more than five categories**, hit the tab key after the last line to generate a new row.

Established BMP categories	Measurable goals and timeframes
Construction Site Planning & Management	Completed during every project
Erosion control	Conduct inspections of permitted sites on a weekly basis during the construction season
Sediment Control	Conduct inspections of permitted sites on a weekly basis during the construction season
Runoff Control	Conduct inspections of permitted sites on a weekly basis during the construction season
Good Housekeeping Practices	Conduct inspections of permitted sites on a weekly basis during the construction season
BMP categories to be implemented	Measurable goals and timeframes
Erosion Protection Maintenance Memo to Builders, developers, contractors	Create a hand out which explains proper installation of BMPs, what the district will be expecting during inspections and enforcement procedures. – March 2014
Prioritize Inspections	Increase inspection frequency at high priority sites on a bi-monthly basis starting in 2014 through 2023 to be consistent with Comprehensive Plan

4. Provide the name or the position title of the individual(s) who is responsible for implementing and/or coordinating this MCM:

Rebecca Haug, Regulatory Affairs Coordinator

## E. MCM 5: Post-construction stormwater management

1. The Permit (Part III.D.5.) requires that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, existing permittees shall revise their current program, as necessary, and continue to implement and enforce a post-construction stormwater management program. Describe your current program:

*Pre-Application Meeting: Any applicant may request an informal conference with the District Administrator (and/or District Engineer) prior to filing an application.*

*The purpose of the pre-application conference shall be to openly consider the proposals, concerns, and requirements of the applicant and the District.*

*Permit Review: Permit review will involve making findings on the following elements as they relate to the rules, regulations, principles and standards of the District. To review the completeness, accuracy and consistency of the application and/or information based on the standards and guidelines of the District and sound scientific principles.*

*Permit Issuance: To regulate land-disturbing activities affecting the quality, course, current or cross section of ditches and watercourses*

2. Have you established written procedures for site plan reviews that you will conduct prior to the start of construction activity? ☒ Yes ☐ No
3. Answer **yes** or **no** to indicate whether you have the following listed procedures for documentation of post-construction stormwater management according to the specifications of Permit (Part III.D.5.c.):
- a. Any supporting documentation that you use to determine compliance with the Permit (Part III.D.5.a), including the project name, location, owner and operator of the construction activity, any checklists used for conducting site plan reviews, and any calculations used to determine compliance? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- b. All supporting documentation associated with mitigation projects that you authorize? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- c. Payments received and used in accordance with Permit (Part III.D.5.a.(4)(f))? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- d. All legal mechanisms drafted in accordance with the Permit (Part III.D.5.a.(5)), including date(s) of the agreement(s) and names of all responsible parties involved? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If you answered **no** to any of the above permit requirements, describe the steps that will be taken to assure that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, these permit requirements are met.

4. List the categories of BMPs that address your post-construction stormwater management program. Use the first table for categories of BMPs that you have established and the second table for categories of BMPs that you plan to implement over the course of the permit term.

Include the measurable goals with appropriate timeframes that each BMP category will be implemented and completed. In addition, provide interim milestones and the frequency of action in which the permittee will implement and/or maintain the BMPs. Refer to the EPA's *Measurable Goals Guidance for Phase II Small MS4s* (<http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/measurablegoals.pdf>). **If you have more than five categories**, hit the tab key after the last line to generate a new row.

Established BMP categories	Measurable goals and timeframes
BMP Inspections and Maintenance	Conduct routine inspections on weekly basis during construction season
Enforce Watershed District Rules & Standards	Continually evaluate the rules and standards and make improvements as necessary on a bi-monthly basis through 2023 to be consistent with Comprehensive Plan
Post-construction pond, infiltration basin, rain garden etc. inspection	Conduct routine inspections to ensure the BMPs are performing and being maintained through 2023 to be consistent with Comprehensive Plan
Conservation Easements	Continue to work with property owners to incorporate conservation easements through 2023 to be consistent with Comprehensive Plan
Joint permit review	Continue to engage all pertinent parties in permit review through 2023 to be consistent with Comprehensive Plan

BMP categories to be implemented	Measurable goals and timeframes
Erosion Protection Maintenance Memo to Builders, developers, contractors	Create a hand out which explains proper installation of BMPs, what the district will be expecting during inspections and enforcement procedures. March 2014
Evaluate the MIDS program to determine applicability	Review the information within 12 months of permit coverage to determine applicability with CCWD

5. Provide the name or the position title of the individual(s) who is responsible for implementing and/or coordinating this MCM:

*Rebecca Haug, Regulatory Affairs Coordinator*

## F. MCM 6: Pollution prevention/good housekeeping for municipal operations

1. The Permit (Part III.D.6.) requires that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, existing permittees shall revise their current program, as necessary, and continue to implement an operations and maintenance program that prevents or reduces the discharge of pollutants from the permittee owned/operated facilities and operations to the small MS4. Describe your current program:

*We do not own or operate any facilities*

2. Do you have a facilities inventory as outlined in the Permit (Part III.D.6.a.)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
3. If you answered **no** to the above permit requirement in question 2, describe the tasks and corresponding schedules that will be taken to assure that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, this permit requirement is met:

*We do not own or operate any facilities*

4. List the categories of BMPs that address your pollution prevention/good housekeeping for municipal operations program. Use the first table for categories of BMPs that you have established and the second table for categories of BMPs that you plan to implement over the course of the permit term.

Include the measurable goals with appropriate timeframes that each BMP category will be implemented and completed. In addition, provide interim milestones and the frequency of action in which the permittee will implement and/or maintain the BMPs. For an explanation of measurable goals, refer to the EPA's *Measurable Goals Guidance for Phase II Small MS4s* (<http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/measurablegoals.pdf>).

**If you have more than five categories**, hit the tab key after the last line to generate a new row.

Established BMP categories	Measurable goals and timeframes
Annual Inspections	Number of inspections
BMP categories to be implemented	Measurable goals and timeframes

5. Does discharge from your MS4 affect a Source Water Protection Area (Permit Part III.D.6.c.)? ☒ Yes ☐ No
  - a. If **no**, continue to 6.
  - b. If **yes**, the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) is in the process of mapping the following items. Maps are available at <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/maps/index.htm>. Is a map including the following items available for your MS4:
    - 1) Wells and source waters for drinking water supply management areas identified as vulnerable under Minn. R. 4720.5205, 4720.5210, and 4720.5330? ☒ Yes ☐ No
    - 2) Source water protection areas for surface intakes identified in the source water assessments conducted by or for the Minnesota Department of Health under the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, U.S.C. §§ 300j – 13? ☒ Yes ☐ No
  - c. Have you developed and implemented BMPs to protect any of the above drinking water sources? ☒ Yes ☐ No
6. Have you developed procedures and a schedule for the purpose of determining the TSS and TP treatment effectiveness of all permittee owned/operated ponds constructed and used for the collection and treatment of stormwater, according to the Permit (Part III.D.6.d.)? ☒ Yes ☐ No
7. Do you have inspection procedures that meet the requirements of the Permit (Part III.D.6.e.(1)-(3)) for structural stormwater BMPs, ponds and outfalls, and stockpile, storage and material handling areas? ☒ Yes ☐ No
8. Have you developed and implemented a stormwater management training program commensurate with each

employee's job duties that:

- a. Addresses the importance of protecting water quality? ☒ Yes ☐ No
  - b. Covers the requirements of the permit relevant to the duties of the employee? ☒ Yes ☐ No
  - c. Includes a schedule that establishes initial training for new and/or seasonal employees and recurring training intervals for existing employees to address changes in procedures, practices, techniques, or requirements? ☒ Yes ☐ No
9. Do you keep documentation of inspections, maintenance, and training as required by the Permit (Part III.D.6.h.(1)-(5))? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If you answered **no** to any of the above permit requirements listed in **Questions 5 – 9**, then describe the tasks and corresponding schedules that will be taken to assure that, within 12 months of the date permit coverage is extended, these permit requirements are met:

10. Provide the name or the position title of the individual(s) who is responsible for implementing and/or coordinating this MCM:

*Tim Kelly, District Administrator*

## VI. Compliance Schedule for an Approved Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) with an Applicable Waste Load Allocation (WLA) (Part II.D.6.)

- A. Do you have an approved TMDL with a Waste Load Allocation (WLA) prior to the effective date of the Permit? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 1. If **no**, continue to section VII.
  - 2. If **yes**, fill out and attach the MS4 Permit TMDL Attachment Spreadsheet with the following naming convention: *MS4NameHere\_TMDL*.

This form is found on the MPCA MS4 website: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/ms4>.

## VII. Alum or Ferric Chloride Phosphorus Treatment Systems (Part II.D.7.)

- A. Do you own and/or operate any Alum or Ferric Chloride Phosphorus Treatment Systems which are regulated by this Permit (Part III.F.)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 1. If **no**, this section requires no further information.
  - 2. If **yes**, you own and/or operate an Alum or Ferric Chloride Phosphorus Treatment System within your small MS4, then you must submit the Alum or Ferric Chloride Phosphorus Treatment Systems Form supplement to this document, with the following naming convention: *MS4NameHere\_TreatmentSystem*.

This form is found on the MPCA MS4 website: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/ms4>.

## VIII. Add any Additional Comments to Describe Your Program